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Honorable John F. Keenan United States District Court Southern District of New York 500 Pearl Street, Suite 1930 New York, New York 10007

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June 17, 2008 JUN 18 2008

Re:

United States v. Maria Altagracia,

07 Cr. 1205 (JFK)

Dear Judge Keenan:

The Government respectfully submits this letter to request that the Court adjourn the conference presently scheduled in the above-referenced matter for Thursday, June 19, at 10:15 a.m. for three weeks. Counsel for Ms. Altagracia joins in this request as it will allow the parties to continue to negotiate a disposition in this matter. In addition, the parties request that the Court exclude time under the Speedy Trial Act until the date of the rescheduled conference. Such an exclusion is warranted because, among other reasons, it will enable the parties to continue plea discussions and the defendant consents to such an exclusion.

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Respectfully submitted,

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Esq. mailes is resolveded for 10 Juny.

July 10, 2008 Time is explicated.

France 18, 2008 21. J. C. J.

The Court finds that the ends of justice served by granting a continuance outweigh the best interests of the public and the defendant in a speedy trial, because it will enable the parties to continue plea discussions. Accordingly, it is ORDERED that the time between the date of this Order and July <u>10</u>, 2008 is hereby excluded under the Speedy Trial Act, 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(1)(H) & (h)(8)(A), in the interests of justice.

Dated: New York, New York June / 2008

> HONORABLE JOHN F. KEENAN UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE